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293/042NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO
THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCESIn re : Todd A. Berg et al.
application of

Application No. : 09/550,471 Confirmation No. : 8796

Filed : April 14, 2000

For : ARTIFICIAL HEART VALVE ATTACHMENT
APPARATUS AND METHODS

Group Art Unit : 3738

Examiner : Bruce E. Snow

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed April 24, 2003 in which the rejection of claims 1, 3-5, 9, 45-49, and 53 was made final.

[] Applicants respectfully request an oral hearing before the Board of Appeals. The appropriate fee is submitted herewith.

[X] An additional one-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection is requested and the appropriate extension fee is submitted herewith.

[X] Address all correspondence to:

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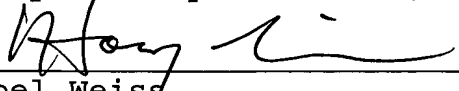
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- [X] A check in the amount of [X] \$320. [] \$600.00 in payment of the [X] appeal fee, [] appeal and oral hearing fees, is enclosed.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional appeal fee, oral hearing fee, or both, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Notice of Appeal form is enclosed.

EXTENSION FEE

- [X] The following extension fee is applicable to the Notice of Appeal filed herewith; [X] \$110.00 extension fee for response within first month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1); [] \$410.00 extension fee for response within second month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(2); [] \$930.00 extension fee for response within third month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3); [] \$1,450.00 extension fee for response within fourth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(4); [] \$1,970.00 extension fee for fifth month pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(5).
- [X] A check in the amount of [X] \$110.00; [] \$410.00; [] \$930.00; [] \$1,450.00; [] \$1,970.00; in payment of the extension fee is transmitted herewith.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is transmitted herewith.

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1. Notice of Appeal (in duplicate)
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3. A check in the amount of \$110.00